

PUBLIC FILE, PART 1

**KDND-FM
Sundays, 6:00A-6:30A**

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Host: Kat Maudru

Locally produced news and public affairs magazine show featuring in-depth interviews, investigative reports, documentaries and feature stories on news events and issues of significance to the Sacramento area.

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ASCERTAINED COMMUNITY ISSUES

1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.
2. **ECONOMY**, including inflation; economic development; economic opportunity; welfare; unemployment; job training; labor relations; and consumer issues.
3. **GOVERNMENT**, including government spending; the provision of government services; taxes; general political debate by officials and candidates.
4. **HEALTH**, including quality of medical facilities; national health programs; nutrition; physical fitness; mental health; preventative health care; and medical malpractice.
5. **ENVIRONMENT, ENERGY & TRANSPORTATION**, including natural disasters; pollution (especially air and water); the water crisis; and the effects of urban sprawl.
6. **MINORITIES, WOMEN & AGING**, including discrimination and other problems of racial minorities; women and senior citizens; the handicapped; homosexuals; and religious ethnic groups.
7. **CRIME**, including increasing crime rate; youth and gang crime; police-community relations; gun control; law enforcement; the criminal justice system; and the prison system, reform and rehabilitation.
8. **DRUG ABUSE**, including the increase in use and abuse of drugs and alcohol; rehabilitation programs; drunk driving; and the need for greater education.
9. **HOUSING**, including rental restrictions; rent control; lack of low and middle housing; landlord / tenant relations; historical preservation; and mortgage rates.
10. **YOUTH & FAMILY**, including issues regarding marriage; the changing role of the family; parenting; child rearing; and abuse.

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ECONOMY

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Description: Home to one of California's oldest wine-producing areas, vineyards and wineries first flourished in the Sacramento region during the Gold Rush era. A century later, in the 1970s, a renaissance in the growth of premium vineyards and wineries began. Ever since, the area has produced countless varieties of winning wines that rival the region's more famous cousins in the Napa Valley. The Sacramento Convention & Visitors Bureau, the County of Sacramento, and Sacramento Magazine Corp. announce the return of the annual Grape Escape – A Capital Region Wine & Food Celebration. The event features more than 100 local wineries and restaurants and includes wine and food tastings, a chef's cooking competition, live music, art displays and a concert featuring Michael McDonald on the CCPOA Music Stage.

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Issue: **Help for the Wounded Military**
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Description: Our armed forces are actively engaged in Operations "Enduring Freedom" in Afghanistan and "Iraqi Freedom" in Iraq. Marines and soldiers are wounded or injured and require treatment at medical facilities in Afghanistan, Iraq, Germany and in the United States. Wounded Warriors, through its generous contributors, supports hospitals and medical facilities in the Afghanistan and Iraq theater of operations, Germany and the United States by donating morale and comfort items such as televisions, DVDs and computers and peripherals for use by the patients and hospital staff. In order to provide the best support possible, they have developed and maintain an extensive list of points of contacts at the military hospitals in the United States and overseas. Contacts include hospital administrators and military chaplains who support those who are medically evacuated from the field and the organization, in turn, supports them by filling the morale and comfort requirements that they identify.

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Issue: **Disabled Veterans**
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Date: May 27, 2007
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: California's largest disabled veteran's business organization, the DVBE Alliance helps disabled military veterans succeed after serving their country. A non-profit 501(c)3 group, the Alliance of Disabled Veteran Business Owners and supporters of Veteran-owned businesses in California provides networking, support, education and other services for the DVBE community. Based in Sacramento and serving statewide, the DVBE Alliance supports member businesses by creating opportunity with State agencies, private industry and other veteran companies. Members are linked with timely veteran's information, news, and the Alliance provides problem-solving experienced DVBE companies and those who work with them. Most importantly, the 900 member businesses help educate legislators, government agencies, division managers, private industry and the general public about DVBE opportunity.

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Issue: **Skin Cancer / Prevention**
Program: Public File
Date: June 24, 2007
Time: 6:00A-6:30A

Description: Skin cancer is one of the most common yet preventable forms of cancer that exists today. There are two types of skin cancer. Non-melanoma includes basal cell carcinoma and squamous cell carcinoma. Melanoma is much less common but far more serious. In 2003, it is estimated that more than 1 million people will be diagnosed with highly curable basal cell or squamous cell cancers, and 54,200 people will be diagnosed with melanoma. Risk factors include unprotected and/or excessive exposure to ultraviolet radiation, a fair complexion, moles, and a family history of skin cancer. Preventative measures include limiting or avoiding exposure to the sun during the midday hours, wearing a hat with a wide brim, wearing sunglasses, using a sunscreen with an SPF of 15 or higher, and protecting children from sun exposure. With early detection, basal and squamous cell cancers are highly curable. Melanoma is also curable when detected in its earliest stages and treated properly.

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Issue: **West Nile Virus**
Program: Public File
Date: May 20, 2007
Time: 6:30A-7:00A

Description: West Nile Virus is a disease transmitted to humans, birds, horses, and other animals, by infected mosquitoes. While it has not been detected in the Sacramento County area, it is expected to arrive soon. Mosquitoes get the virus from infected birds while taking blood, and can later transmit it during subsequent blood feeding. West Nile Virus can cause encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) in humans and horses. Severe infections may include neck stiffness, disorientation, coma, tremors, convulsions, muscle weakness, paralysis, and rarely, death. Vector control technicians at the Sacramento / Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control District are working diligently to reduce mosquito populations, using sound integrated pest management techniques. To help with mosquito control efforts, residents can: eliminate any unnecessary standing water on your property where mosquitoes might develop, make certain roof gutters drain properly and remove any standing water, especially from flat roofs, clean out pet water bowls, birdbaths, plant saucers, etc., at least weekly, and keep swimming pools clean and free of water on covers

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Description

Every day, faculty members at schools and universities throughout the world are making discoveries that shape our ways of thinking and redefine our understanding of today's knowledge-driven society. Since 1990, The Best of Our Knowledge has highlighted breakthroughs across disciplines and across the globe, putting you in touch with the men and women at the front of their fields. Each week, co-host Dr. Karen R. Hitchcock examines some of the issues unique to college campuses, looks at the latest research, and invites commentary from experts and administrators from all levels of education.

Glenn Busby, co-host and producer of Best of Our Knowledge, has made a special commitment to report on important developments in educational research. The fact is, at every college and university there is a great deal of research being conducted which could potentially have a dramatic impact on the ways in which we educate our students, from the lower grades right through graduate school. Unfortunately, all too often the results of that research are relegated to a shelf somewhere, or are only seen by the small number of people who actually read the scholarly journals. There is no question that the work is being done – the problem is, once it's done, the people in a position to benefit from it most haven't gotten a chance to hear about it.

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1. **EDUCATION**, including the quality of public education; school busing; white flight; bilingual education; school violence; and the quality of college and adult education.
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Issue: **Smith College Summer Science & Engineering Program for High School Girls: On The Trail of Biodiversity**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: April 1, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: It's Women's History Month. According to statistics released earlier this month, the number of women majoring in science and engineering continues to increase. That comes from the National Science Foundation's Women, Minorities, and Persons with Disabilities in Science and Engineering bi-annual report. The report is based on stats that track enrollment and degrees awarded to both graduate and undergraduate students in American universities... and includes data from 1997 through 2004. The report indicates that women have usually been well represented in fields like anthropology and psychology. But it also shows that more recently, women have received more than a third of the doctorates awarded in agriculture and atmospheric science. There are also more women astronomers and chemical engineers. However, even though more women are studying the "hard" sciences like math and physics, the men in those fields still far outnumber them. So what's being done at the high school level to get more young women thinking about science careers? TBOOK went to find out at Smith College in Northampton, Massachusetts.

Issue: **Education Headlines & Updates**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: April 1, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: According to the U.S. Education Department's most recent statistics, women now make up a clear majority, 57% of undergraduate students. Analysts point out that the number of men attending college is still increasing, just not as fast as the number of women. And the true concern is that the men who are not going on to higher education, are primarily from low-income and minority groups, making the gap more about class and race, than about gender.

A new report just published in Academic Matters, the Journal of Higher Education in Canada, mirrors many of the same statistics as the U.S. The research analyzed the most current statistics Canada data on students and faculty on Canadian campuses, and found that women represent 58% of those taking classes, just like in the U.S. In spite of the dominate classroom numbers, still, only about one-quarter of those in mathematics, computer and information sciences are women. And only 11% enroll in engineering. The Canadian numbers show that fewer than one-third of full-time faculty are women, and just 18% are full professors.

Issue: **Science is the Foundation for Future Careers**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: April 1, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Back in the United States, a general accounting office study last year found that overall, the proportion of students obtaining degrees in STEM – Science, Technology, Engineering and Math fields has fallen. The study reports that in academic year 1994 to 1995, about 32% of students obtained STEM degrees. But nearly ten years later, from 2003 to 2004, only about 27% of degrees awarded were in STEM fields... a 5% reduction. Looking at this report and these problematic figures is our guest commentator, Dr. Mel Schiavelli. He's President of the Harrisburg University of Science and Technology in Pennsylvania.

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Issue: **Books for Women's History Month**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 1, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Generations of Women Moving History Forward. That's the theme of this year's National Women's History Month. The Women's History Project is using the opportunity to highlight important historical events. One of these is the 30th anniversary of The Women's Conference in Houston, Texas, which marked the high point in the influence of the women's rights movement on the formation of American government policy. Dr. Fiona Barnes is the Director of the Center for Management Communication at the University of Florida's Warrington College of Business. Dr. Barnes has been looking at new and essential books to help celebrate Women's History Month. This essay was originally recorded for the program, Recess, which is a co-production of the University of Florida's Center for Children's Literature and Culture, and WUFT-FM in Gainesville, Florida.

Issue: **Ready to Learn: How to Overcome Social and Behavioral Issues in the Primary Classroom, Part 1 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 8, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: What can be done in the lower grades to counter social and behavioral problems that interfere with learning? Just published by Heinemann is a new book that can help teachers and parents deal with these issues. It's called, "Ready to Learn." Co-authors, Dr. Jeanne Shub and Amy DeWeerd, have created a program called Interplay which helps children develop self-control, social skills, and problem-solving strategies. The book may be new, but Dr. Shub created Interplay in 1983. So she has well over 20 years of research and many success stories. Dr. Jeanne Shub is a developmental child psychologist who has also taught at the elementary, college, and graduate school levels... has a private practice for children and families... and is a widely sought consultant in public and private elementary schools, TBOOK spoke with her recently in our studios about her new book and the Interplay program.

Issue: **Schools and Daylight Savings Time**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 8, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Well, most of us recently did this. We changed our clocks to Daylight Savings Time. This year, Daylight Savings has been extended by a full month... starting three weeks earlier in the Spring, and hanging on for an extra week in the Fall. Besides the intended energy benefits, what does this time shift mean for schools, administrators, parents, and students?

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- Issue:** **Ready to Learn: How to Overcome Social and Behavioral Issues in the Primary Classroom, Part 2 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 15, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A
- Description:** We hear news of violence in schools and stories about teachers being attacked in their classrooms. It's happening everywhere, not just in troubled neighborhoods. So just what can be done to counter these social and behavioral problems that interfere with the normal process of education? Reports indicate about 3-million children are bullied each year. Bullied children are four to eight times more likely to commit suicide. 40% of bullies receive three or more convictions by the time they are 24 years old. A new book, Ready to Learn, explains how directly addressing social and behavioral difficulties enables students to have the focus and energy necessary to achieve academic success. Its strategies have been used successfully in 13 school districts with thousands of students. Ready to Learn is co-authored by Dr. Jeanne Shub and Amy DeWeerd, and is from Heinemann Publishes. Last week, Dr. Shub told us why her program, Interplay, was developed. How it's evolved over the past two decades. And how teachers, therapists, and parents have been using Interplay stories to help children discover new approaches to overcome learning or emotional obstacles.
- Issue:** **No Child Left Behind Reauthorization Update and Guest Commentary: No Child Let Ahead**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 15, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A
- Description:** The federal education law, No Child Left Behind, is due for reauthorization this year. Its intent is to help all children become proficient in math and reading by the year 2014. And it's attempting to reduce achievement gaps between different ethnic and income groups of students. Despite NCLB's initial overwhelming bi-partisan support five years ago, the act is now being challenged by many groups and organizations.
- Take, for example, the Forum on Educational Accountability which includes the National Education Association and the National School Boards Association. That coalition says Congress should scrap the accountability system, at the heart of No Child Left Behind, in favor of one that holds schools responsible for improving teacher training and parental involvement.
- Also, the National Governor's Association met with President Bush and Education Secretary Spellings recently. They're pushing for more funding, and agree that some of the accountability provisions need to be made more flexible, especially regarding the testing of English-language learners and special education students.
- Leaders of national education, civil rights, religious, disability and children's organizations held a forum in Washington. Their report called, "Redefining Accountability: Improving Student Learning By Building Capacity, includes nearly two dozen fundamental reforms in professional development, family involvement, and accountability. Guest commentator, Dr. Keith Lockitch, too favors changes to NCLB, but not for those reasons. Dr. Lockitch worrkes that because the act forces states to ensure that the weakest students are not "left behind", it's reduced dollars for programs for the more advanced students. Dr. Keith Lockitch teaches writing and a graduate course on the history of physics at the Objectivist Academic Center in Irvine, California. His commentary is titled, No Child Let Ahead.

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Issue: **The Scholar Ship**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 22, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Building bridges through international education. If policy-makers want to share the best of the world, one avenue is through students. We frequently hear of universities signing agreements to work together. Others are forming consortiums. Most universities actively seek to attract students from foreign countries onto their campuses. Now, joining these trends and taking the idea of global education on another tack, is The Scholar Ship. The Scholar Ship makes its maiden voyage in September from Barcelona, Spain, and sails westward to stops that include: Panama, Equador, Tahiti, Fiji, Australia, China and Japan.

Issue: **Origins of Life: Science Research in Education Series – Titan's Elusive World, Part 1 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 22, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Astronomers have just been surprised again by new findings. In this story, which reads like science fiction... researchers... using NASA's Spitzer Space Telescope... are discovering that planetary systems are at least as abundant in twin-star systems, as they are in those, like our own, with only one sun. Since more than half of all stars are twins... the finding suggests that the universe is packed with planets that have two suns.

Closer to home, in our solar system, scientists are still operating the planned decade long Cassini mission to Saturn and its moons. Saturn's largest moon, Titan, has intrigued scientists for years, in part, because its size and atmosphere make it like no other moon we know of. We've reported on the Cassini-Huygens mission previously here on TBOOK. It still has at least two more years circling Saturn and making passes of Titan, mapping that moon's surface. One of the team researchers for the Cassini mission is with us today. Dr. Caitlin Griffith is a Professor of Planetary Atmospheres, and works in the Lunar & Planetary Laboratory at the University of Arizona in Tucson, Arizona. Dr. Griffith opens our story on the elusive world of Titan.

Issue: **New Regulations – 'No Child Left Behind' Means Not Leaving Students with Disabilities Behind**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 29, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: New regulations effecting how the achievement of students with disabilities is measured go into effect May 9th. The US Department of Education has just released these final regulations under the No Child Left Behind Act and the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). Listeners may recall a year ago we spoke with John Hager, the Assistant Secretary for the Office of Special Education. At that time, we learned that about 13% of the school population in the U.S., or nearly 7-million children, benefit in some way from IDEA. Department of Education officials also report that from 10% to 13% of schools fail their AYP, or Annual Yearly Progress reports, because 1% of their overall scores must include students with disabilities. Again, that's 13% of the school population judged to have some form of disability. Yet only 1% of these students have had their test scores included in the reporting process to determine if the school they attend is advancing toward the 2014 No Child Left Behind goals. With the changes going into effect, states will now count students with disabilities' test scores for up to 2% of all students assessed, when calculating adequate yearly progress under NCLB. Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, claims allowing states to test certain students with disabilities, using an alternate assessment that more appropriately aligns with students' needs, will yield more meaningful results for schools and parents. Secretary Spellings also announced the department is providing 12.1 million dollars in grants to help states create and implement the new assessments called for in the new regulations. Senator Ted Kennedy reacted to the announcement by saying, "It's essential to fully include children with disabilities in No Child Left Behind's guarantee that every student counts."

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Issue: **Origins of Life: Science Research in Education Series – Titan’s Elusive World, Part 2 of 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: April 29, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: As the early years of this new millennium zoom along, scientists continue their important research into ascertaining the origins of life. They believe understanding more about our origins is an attainable and worthwhile goal. Of course, where we came from, and how life began, are questions that have been posed by every culture. It seems that all human civilizations have generated their own creation myths. We, too, are asking those questions, plus some new ones. And looking in new places for new answers as well. One of those new places that might help answer a few questions about the origins of life on Earth, is Saturn’s largest moon, Titan. Titan sports a rich organic chemistry, clouds, rain, and seas. But with extremely frigid temperatures, how can this be? Last week, we found out how Titan mimics Earth in many ways. This week, we take a look at Titan’s geography, and possible connections to the origins of life on Earth. Dr. Caitlin Griffith, a Professor of Planetary Atmospheres at the University of Arizona in Tucson completes our story on the elusive world of Titan.

Issue: **The Young Women’s Leadership School of East Harlem, New York, Parts 1 & 2**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 6 & 13, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Three years ago, The Young Women’s Leadership Foundation took a group of science students to the Mississippi Delta. That trip netted them the Young Science Achiever’s Award. This is all part of the science program at The Young Women’s Leadership School in East Harlem, New York. TYWLS is a public school. It’s all girls. And its student body is comprised 100% of minority groups. The Young Women’s Leadership School also holds the distinction of enrolling every one of its senior girls into college every year. We spoke with several teachers and students about their math and science curricula, and learned more about what actually goes on inside their classrooms.

Issue: **European Research and Efforts to Get More Young Women into Science and Technology**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 6, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Efforts to get young women and girls more interested in science and technology are not unique to the United States and Canada. Attempts are underway in Europe as well. For instance, the Faculty of Science at the University of Amsterdam, consists of four departments with 1,200 researchers and lecturers, including 150 full – and part-time professors, operating in ten research institutes. One of these researchers is Dr. Jacobijn Sandberg. Radio Netherlands, Laura Durnford, attended a recent technology expo in Holland, where she put the problem of declining numbers of girls in the sciences to the event’s speaker, Professor Jacobijn.

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Issue: **Middle School Psychology**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 20, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: This month we celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week. One of the most challenging age groups to teach can be those troublesome middle school years. Most of us remember how our middle school years were a time of great upheaval. Parents, teachers, psychologists all confirm how this is often a troubled age group for students. These pre-adolescent and adolescent years can turn a situation that would be minor for an adult, into a seemingly life or death issue for a child. It's a time when many a good student can turn into a struggling student. Dr. Jana Martin is a licensed psychologist and former President of the California Psychological Association. As such, Dr. Martin often works with parents and children to help them deal with this middle school angst. She talks with TBOOK about these middle school years.

Issue: **Teacher Appreciation Week: Teacher Training with Dr. Bill Ayers**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 20, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Each year in May, we celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week. The U.S. PTA established Teacher Appreciation Week rather recently, just in 1984. It honors the dedicated men and women who lend their passion and skills to educating children. PTA President, Anna Weselak says, "Every young mind needs a spark to light the way to a brighter future through learning, and teachers are that spark." Thousands of communities will take time out to honor their local educators and acknowledge the contributions they make to so many lives. Organizations all over the country declare Teacher of the Year awards. And Congress some time ago established a National Teacher Day as part of the week-long recognition. TBOOK speaks with Dr. William Ayers, a Distinguished Professor of Education and Senior Scholar at the University of Illinois at Chicago. His most recent book is, *Teaching Toward Freedom: Moral Commitment and Ethical Action in the Classroom*.

Issue: **The Exemplary Middle School**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 27, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: As we learned last week, studies indicate that middle school years can be a confusing time period for students. It's a phase when grades can be negatively impacted. This week, we speak with Dr. Paul George, a Professor of Education, School of Teaching and Learning, in the College of Education, at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Dr. George has been in public education for three decades, published ten books and hundreds of articles. Several have been described as classics in the field. One is titled, *The Exemplary Middle School*. It's been a standard in the arena of middle school education for two decades. In fact, *Middle School Journal* identified Professor George as the "number one ranking scholar" in middle school education. George argues that middle schools, originally conceived, would in fact, be well suited to children at this often difficult and confusing stage in life. But, he believes, middle schools have never been given a chance to operate as they were intended. And he discusses his revealing research with TBOOK.

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Issue: **College Bound Students: Applications & Rejections**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: May 27, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: This can be a stressful time of year for high school seniors... waiting to hear if they've been accepted into the college of their choice. Not only are colleges and universities receiving record numbers of applications... they are also sending out record numbers of rejections. TBOOK gets this report from several colleges in the Northeast part of the country.

Issue: **Daily Lessons: Inside Western Guilford High School, Freshman Academy**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: June 3, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The past two weeks, our programs have talked about many issues involved in the middle school years. 9th grade serves as a bridge from middle school to high school. As we will hear, 9th grade can be a very challenging transition year. Students want to leave the younger children behind, while trying to be more of an adult, like the upperclassmen. More students drop out of the 9th grade than any other year of school. At Western Guilford High School in Greensboro, North Carolina, school administrators took a hard look at the 9th grade and decided to try a different approach. This is part two in our ten-part documentary series about a typical high school that faces the same problems as schools all across North America.

Issue: **Copilot Schools**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

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Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The U.S. Congressional debate about what to do with the No Child Left Behind reauthorization bill is providing educators an opportunity to speak out about (what they call) the "crisis in America's public high schools." These educators testifying before Congress are concerned about the effect of nation's high dropout rate is having on the economy and future of the country. Task forces and committees are working to increase graduation rates and the quality of education in hopes every student is prepared for college or the workplace. To that end, school districts all across the country are trying to think "outside the box"... to come up with new solutions for so-called "failing schools." An example of how one state is trying to deal with the "under-performing school" issue comes from Massachusetts. State education officials there have given some public schools wide latitude to try new approaches for improving student learning.

Issue: **Student Moms**

Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge

Date: June 3, 2007

Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Some brand new college graduates this Spring feel even more victorious than their classmates. That's because their academic journey has been even more difficult. They've been living a double life as a student and a mother. Everyday life for any mother, but certainly a single mother, can be a struggle... especially when the demands of being a college student merge with the responsibility of being a parent. Women now far outnumber men on most college and university campuses. For those with young children, the path to a degree and self-sufficiency is often blocked by obstacles like housing and child care. In fact, a study just last year from the Equal Opportunity Journal revealed that single mothers attending college face four primary challenges: time-management, child-care, finances and institutional climate. TBOOK explores these issues.

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Issue: **National Summit on America's Silent Epidemic: Dropouts**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 10, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: More than one-million high school students drop out each year in the U.S. This severe dropout rate is being labeled a national crisis. Organizers of the *Summit on America's Silent Epidemic* says dropouts are more likely than high school graduates to: be unemployed... in poor health... living in poverty... in prison... on public assistance... and single parents with children who also drop out of high school. The dropout summit was spearheaded by, among others, the National Governor's Association, Time magazine, MTV, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. MTV provided a platform for teens to share their views and ideas for changing high schools. More than 500 superintendents, teachers, parents, students, state and federal policy-makers, and other education and community leaders attended the *Summit on America's Silent Epidemic*. First Lady, Laura Bush, delivered the keynote address. Three days later, Senator Ted Kennedy, Chairman of the Education Committee, and Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, published a joint op-ed piece called *National Epidemic, Economic Necessity*. Ironically, it was Senator Kennedy's brother, President John F. Kennedy, who first brought attention to the dropout crisis in 1963.

Issue: **Origins of Life: Science Research in Education Series – Early History of the Solar System As Seen By Primitive Meteorites**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 10, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: First, some news. NASA has awarded five-year grants to four research teams and universities across the U.S. One of those is the California Institute of Technology Team, led by Dr. Vicky Meadows. We featured Dr. Meadows on our show recently talking about her Virtual Planetary Lab which is looking for life on other Earth-like planets. Also, NASA's Phoenix Mars Lander spacecraft has reached its launch location in Florida. Phoenix is scheduled to take off in August and land on a Martian arctic plain next spring. It hopes to dig thru soil that holds frozen water, to find favorable conditions for microbial life. Meanwhile, back here on terra firma, our next guest is researching the early history of our solar system by closely examining meteorites he says were formed prior to Earth. Dr. Frank Richter is the Sewell L. Avery Distinguished Service Professor in the Department of Geophysical Sciences at the University of Chicago.

Issue: **High School Entrepreneurship Exposition**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 17, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Entrepreneurship education is one of the fastest growing areas of curriculum in high school and college. This field of study has steadily been emerging. And while later in this show we'll focus on higher education, in this story we discover that entrepreneurship has secured firm roots at the high school level, too. Since 1987, the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship has reached over 150,000 youth, and trained more than 4,200 certified entrepreneurship teachers. The NFTE has programs in 25 states in the U.S. and 13 countries. It's goal is to teach entrepreneurship to young people from low-income communities to enhance their economic productivity by improving their business, academic, and life skills. Earlier this year, the NFTE partnered with the Goldman Sachs Foundation to host a National Entrepreneurship Expo in New York City. The Expo comes at a time when interest among young people owning and operating a small business is growing. A series of Gallup Polls has found that nearly 7 out of 10 young people are interested in becoming entrepreneurs. TBOOK visited with Expo winners: 16 year old John Howard, a junior at Boston Trinity High School, and George Ortega, a 16 year old sophomore from Dalton School in New York. We also spoke with Stephanie Bell-Rose, Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs & Company, and President of the Goldman Sachs Foundation.

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Issue: **Collegiate Entrepreneurial Education**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 17, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Now for a look at entrepreneurial pedagogy in higher education. Our next guest has been doing extensive research at the collegiate level to determine the extent of entrepreneurial education. He's polled some 3,000 two and four-year institutions. And though he's found that entrepreneurial education has certainly become a global trend, it was a surprise to learn that as many as 2,000, or nearly two-thirds of the colleges and universities he studied in America, offer some form of entrepreneurial education. Dr. Paul Magelli is Senior Director of Illinois Business Consulting at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus. Dr. Magelli is Director of Academic Entrepreneurial Leadership Development. And Professor Magelli is also the Kauffman Foundation Scholar in Residence. Helping universities become more entrepreneurial... not only in what they teach and how they teach it... but in how colleges operate... is at the heart of the Kauffman Foundation's work in entrepreneurship.

Issue: **Religion in Public Schools? An Educator's Guide to Beliefs and Practices**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 24, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Religious literacy. There's a growing controversy over whether religion should be part of any curriculum in public education. One school of thought believes teaching religion has no place in public classrooms. Therefore, the separation of church and state we hear about. On the other side of the issue, others respond that it is important because religion has such a monumental impact on the world's culture and history. Regardless of what personal beliefs one holds, there is a movement that's pushing to add teaching of the world's religions to the public school curricula. Obviously, not everyone supports that. But an increasing number are beginning to agree that teaching history, without recognizing the role religion plays, limits a student's ability to better understand the world. Among those who subscribe to that latter premise, is Dr. Benjamin J. Hubbard, Professor Emeritus of Comparative Religion at California State University, Fullerton. Dr. Hubbard is the co-author of a book created to help educators understand, appreciate, and handle religious diversity in the classroom. The book is called, *America's Religions: An Educator's Guide to Beliefs and Practices*. It focuses on a wide range of religious beliefs from: Buddhism to Christianity, and Islam to secular humanism.

Issue: **Can a Darwinian be a Christian? Evolution vs. Intelligent Design**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 24, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The Creationism movement appears to still be advancing in America and other places around the world. Supporters are attempting to restrict the teaching of evolution, and introduce their current favorite theory, Intelligent Design, into the classroom. Creationists say Darwinian evolution cannot account for the complexity of life, which they assert can only be explained with reference to some kind of creator. Such efforts may be having an impact. According to Gallup surveys we reported on in earlier programs, only about one-third of Americans believe that Darwin's theory is endorsed by scientific evidence. The poll also indicates nearly half of respondents believe humans were created in, more or less, their present form 10,000 years ago. What accounts for this revival? Some observers point to the increasing political influence of the religious right. Others point to decades of well-funded creationist efforts to chip away at evolution's stature, reducing it to just one in a number of competing theories. Dr. Michael Ruse has been researching and writing about this debate all of his life. Dr. Ruse is a native of England, who immigrated first to Canada, before arriving about seven years ago at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Professor Ruse is a Philosopher of Science, and is the author of many books on evolutionary biology, including, *Can a Darwinian Be a Christian?* His most recent book from Cambridge University Press is called, *Darwinism and Its Discontents*.

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ECONOMY

Issue: **International Women's Day**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 27, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Last week, we honored teachers because of Teacher Appreciation Week. A few weeks ago, we reported on Women's History Month. And, recently, International Women's Day was recognized as well. It's a major day of global celebration for the economic, political, and social achievements of women. International Women's Day was first observed in the U.S. in 1909, in association with protests over working conditions for women in the garment industry. Finally, 30-years ago, UNESCO expanded the day to include all women. Dr. Fiona Barnes from the University of Florida describes its history, and offers some books for young people to help celebrate the day. Dr. Barnes is Director of the Center for Management Communication at the university's Warrington College of Business. This essay was originally recorded for the program "Recess" which is a co-production of the University of Florida's Center for Children's Literature and Culture, and WUFT-FM.

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Description: Three years ago, The Young Women's Leadership Foundation took a group of science students to the Mississippi Delta. That trip netted them the Young Science Achiever's Award. This is all part of the science program at The Young Women's Leadership School in East Harlem, New York. TYWLS is a public school. It's all girls. And its student body is comprised 100% of minority groups. The Young Women's Leadership School also holds the distinction of enrolling every one of its senior girls into college every year. We spoke with several teachers and students about their math and science curricula, and learned more about what actually goes on inside their classrooms.

Issue: **European Research and Efforts to Get More Young Women into Science and Technology**
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Description: Efforts to get young women and girls more interested in science and technology are not unique to the United States and Canada. Attempts are underway in Europe as well. For instance, the Faculty of Science at the University of Amsterdam, consists of four departments with 1,200 researchers and lecturers, including 150 full – and part-time professors, operating in ten research institutes. One of these researchers is Dr. Jacobijn Sandberg. Radio Netherlands, Laura Durnford, attended a recent technology expo in Holland, where she put the problem of declining numbers of girls in the sciences to the event's speaker, Professor Jacobijn.

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Issue: **Middle School Psychology**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 20, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: This month we celebrate Teacher Appreciation Week. One of the most challenging age groups to teach can be those troublesome middle school years. Most of us remember how our middle school years were a time of great upheaval. Parents, teachers, psychologists all confirm how this is often a troubled age group for students. These pre-adolescent and adolescent years can turn a situation that would be minor for an adult, into a seemingly life or death issue for a child. It's a time when many a good student can turn into a struggling student. Dr. Jana Martin is a licensed psychologist and former President of the California Psychological Association. As such, Dr. Martin often works with parents and children to help them deal with this middle school angst. She talks with TBOOK about these middle school years.

Issue: **The Exemplary Middle School**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: May 27, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: As we learned last week, studies indicate that middle school years can be a confusing time period for students. It's a phase when grades can be negatively impacted. This week, we speak with Dr. Paul George, a Professor of Education, School of Teaching and Learning, in the College of Education, at the University of Florida in Gainesville. Dr. George has been in public education for three decades, published ten books and hundreds of articles. Several have been described as classics in the field. One is titled, The Exemplary Middle School. It's been a standard in the arena of middle school education for two decades. In fact, Middle School Journal identified Professor George as the "number one ranking scholar" in middle school education. George argues that middle schools, originally conceived, would in fact, be well suited to children at this often difficult and confusing stage in life. But, he believes, middle schools have never been given a chance to operate as they were intended. And he discusses his revealing research with TBOOK.

Issue: **College Bound Students: Applications & Rejections**
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Description: This can be a stressful time of year for high school seniors... waiting to hear if they've been accepted into the college of their choice. Not only are colleges and universities receiving record numbers of applications... they are also sending out record numbers of rejections. TBOOK gets this report from several colleges in the Northeast part of the country.

Issue: **Daily Lessons: Inside Western Guilford High School, Freshman Academy**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 3, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: The past two weeks, our programs have talked about many issues involved in the middle school years. 9th grade serves as a bridge from middle school to high school. As we will hear, 9th grade can be a very challenging transition year. Students want to leave the younger children behind, while trying to be more of an adult, like the upperclassmen. More students drop out of the 9th grade than any other year of school. At Western Guilford High School in Greensboro, North Carolina, school administrators took a hard look at the 9th grade and decided to try a different approach. This is part two in our ten-part documentary series about a typical high school that faces the same problems as schools all across North America.

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Issue: **Copilot Schools**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
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Description: The U.S. Congressional debate about what to do with the No Child Left Behind reauthorization bill is providing educators an opportunity to speak out about (what they call) the "crisis in America's public high schools." These educators testifying before Congress are concerned about the effect of nation's high dropout rate is having on the economy and future of the country. Task forces and committees are working to increase graduation rates and the quality of education in hopes every student is prepared for college or the workplace. To that end, school districts all across the country are trying to think "outside the box"... to come up with new solutions for so-called "failing schools." An example of how one state is trying to deal with the "under-performing school" issue comes from Massachusetts. State education officials there have given some public schools wide latitude to try new approaches for improving student learning.

Issue: **Student Moms**
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Description: Some brand new college graduates this Spring feel even more victorious than their classmates. That's because their academic journey has been even more difficult. They've been living a double life as a student and a mother. Everyday life for any mother, but certainly a single mother, can be a struggle... especially when the demands of being a college student merge with the responsibility of being a parent. Women now far outnumber men on most college and university campuses. For those with young children, the path to a degree and self-sufficiency is often blocked by obstacles like housing and child care. In fact, a study just last year from the Equal Opportunity Journal revealed that single mothers attending college face four primary challenges: time-management, child-care, finances and institutional climate. TBOOK explores these issues.

Issue: **National Summit on America's Silent Epidemic: Dropouts**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 10, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: More than one-million high school students drop out each year in the U.S. This severe dropout rate is being labeled a national crisis. Organizers of the *Summit on America's Silent Epidemic* says dropouts are more likely than high school graduates to: be unemployed... in poor health... living in poverty... in prison... on public assistance... and single parents with children who also drop out of high school. The dropout summit was spearheaded by, among others, the National Governor's Association, Time magazine, MTV, and the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation. MTV provided a platform for teens to share their views and ideas for changing high schools. More than 500 superintendents, teachers, parents, students, state and federal policy-makers, and other education and community leaders attended the *Summit on America's Silent Epidemic*. First Lady, Laura Bush, delivered the keynote address. Three days later, Senator Ted Kennedy, Chairman of the Education Committee, and Secretary of Education, Margaret Spellings, published a joint op-ed piece called *National Epidemic, Economic Necessity*. Ironically, it was Senator Kennedy's brother, President John F. Kennedy, who first brought attention to the dropout crisis in 1963.

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Issue: **High School Entrepreneurship Exposition**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 17, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Entrepreneurship education is one of the fastest growing areas of curriculum in high school and college. This field of study has steadily been emerging. And while later in this show we'll focus on higher education, in this story we discover that entrepreneurship has secured firm roots at the high school level, too. Since 1987, the National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship has reached over 150,000 youth, and trained more than 4,200 certified entrepreneurship teachers. The NFTE has programs in 25 states in the U.S. and 13 countries. It's goal is to teach entrepreneurship to young people from low-income communities to enhance their economic productivity by improving their business, academic, and life skills. Earlier this year, the NFTE partnered with the Goldman Sachs Foundation to host a National Entrepreneurship Expo in New York City. The Expo comes at a time when interest among young people owning and operating a small business is growing. A series of Gallup Polls has found that nearly 7 out of 10 young people are interested in becoming entrepreneurs. TBOOK visited with Expo winners: 16 year old John Howard, a junior at Boston Trinity High School, and George Ortega, a 16 year old sophomore from Dalton School in New York. We also spoke with Stephanie Bell-Rose, Managing Director of Goldman, Sachs & Company, and President of the Goldman Sachs Foundation.

Issue: **Collegiate Entrepreneurial Education**
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Description: Now for a look at entrepreneurial pedagogy in higher education. Our next guest has been doing extensive research at the collegiate level to determine the extent of entrepreneurial education. He's polled some 3,000 two and four-year institutions. And though he's found that entrepreneurial education has certainly become a global trend, it was a surprise to learn that as many as 2,000, or nearly two-thirds of the colleges and universities he studied in America, offer some form of entrepreneurial education. Dr. Paul Magelli is Senior Director of Illinois Business Consulting at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign campus. Dr. Magelli is Director of Academic Entrepreneurial Leadership Development. And Professor Magelli is also the Kauffman Foundation Scholar in Residence. Helping universities become more entrepreneurial... not only in what they teach and how they teach it... but in how colleges operate... is at the heart of the Kauffman Foundation's work in entrepreneurship.

Issue: **Religion in Public Schools? An Educator's Guide to Beliefs and Practices**
Program: To The Best Of Our Knowledge
Date: June 24, 2007
Time: 7:00A-7:30A

Description: Religious literacy. There's a growing controversy over whether religion should be part of any curriculum in public education. One school of thought believes teaching religion has no place in public classrooms. Therefore, the separation of church and state we hear about. On the other side of the issue, others respond that it is important because religion has such a monumental impact on the world's culture and history. Regardless of what personal beliefs one holds, there is a movement that's pushing to add teaching of the world's religions to the public school curricula. Obviously, not everyone supports that. But an increasing number are beginning to agree that teaching history, without recognizing the role religion plays, limits a student's ability to better understand the world. Among those who subscribe to that latter premise, is Dr. Benjamin J. Hubbard, Professor Emeritus of Comparative Religion at California State University, Fullerton. Dr. Hubbard is the co-author of a book created to help educators understand, appreciate, and handle religious diversity in the classroom. The book is called, *America's Religions: An Educator's Guide to Beliefs and Practices*. It focuses on a wide range of religious beliefs from: Buddhism to Christianity, and Islam to secular humanism.

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Issue: **Can a Darwinian be a Christian? Evolution vs. Intelligent Design**
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Description: The Creationism movement appears to still be advancing in America and other places around the world. Supporters are attempting to restrict the teaching of evolution, and introduce their current favorite theory, Intelligent Design, into the classroom. Creationists say Darwinian evolution cannot account for the complexity of life, which they assert can only be explained with reference to some kind of creator. Such efforts may be having an impact. According to Gallup surveys we reported on in earlier programs, only about one-third of Americans believe that Darwin's theory is endorsed by scientific evidence. The poll also indicates nearly half of respondents believe humans were created in, more or less, their present form 10,000 years ago. What accounts for this revival? Some observers point to the increasing political influence of the religious right. Others point to decades of well-funded creationist efforts to chip away at evolution's stature, reducing it to just one in a number of competing theories. Dr. Michael Ruse has been researching and writing about this debate all of his life. Dr. Ruse is a native of England, who immigrated first to Canada, before arriving about seven years ago at Florida State University in Tallahassee. Professor Ruse is a Philosopher of Science, and is the author of many books on evolutionary biology, including, *Can a Darwinian Be a Christian?* His most recent book from Cambridge University Press is called, *Darwinism and Its Discontents*.

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Description: A few months ago we told you about Dr. Eric Keroack. Last fall President Bush appointed Kerouack Chief of Family Planning programs for the Department of Health & Human Services. The move caused quite a bit of stir because of Kerouack's stand on a number of issues, particularly contraceptives... which he was reluctant to prescribe... even for married women. Jessica Valenti is the editor of the blog feministing.com where she and other writers have been posting about Dr. Kerouack and his recent decision to resign for that post.

Some people live their lives just knowing that one day they'll be a parent. Others are sure that parenthood is just not for them. But for many of us... the decision to have a child... however alluring... is also very frightening. For 15 years, author, journalist and activist Rebecca Walker told everyone that would listen that she wanted to have a baby. But in fact, she was wracked with ambivalence. Beyond the practical questions... when, with whom, how to pay for it, she wrestled with other concerns common to women of her 20 and 30 something generation. Brought up to view motherhood with more than a little suspicion, she wondered, will I lose myself, my body, my mind, my options, and be left trapped, resentful and overwhelmed. To compound matters, Rebecca had a tempestuous relationship with her famous mother, the writer Alice Walker and feared the inevitable kickback from such a final and dramatic departure from daughterhood. Her journey through these fears and questions, and into motherhood is chronicled in her new book *Baby Love*, choosing motherhood after a lifetime of ambivalence. She spoke with 51's Joe Donahue about that journey... and how *Baby Love* came about.

Fears and concerns like Rebecca Walker's are not uncommon. Some of them are talked about openly... but others still seem taboo. Essayist Tara Shafer has been brave enough to share her own, very painful experience in an effort to help mothers like her, and the people who love them...

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Date: April 13, 2007
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: We've been talking a lot lately about women in the presidency and in congress... but a new report shows women still make up, on average, less than a quarter of state legislators. The report, from the Women's Legislative Network of the National Conference of State Legislatures shows that only seven states have legislatures that are more than 30% female. The state with the lowest percentage of women in the legislature, Alabama with 12... but the highest percentage can be found in Vermont. 51% Pat Bradley reports from the green mountain state.

Feminism, like many "isms" has different definitions depending on who you ask. Which leaves a lot of questions that can create conflict between people who share many... if not most of their beliefs. Can I be a feminist and wear make up, shave my legs... date men? Like shopping? Amy Richards and Jennifer Baumgardener have been examining these questions for years. These 30 something feminist authors met about 14 years ago in the office of Ms. Magazine. They began looking at what it really means to be a feminist now. Since then they've collaborated on two books on the subject, *Manifesta: Young Women, Feminism and the Future*, and *Grassroots: A Field Guide for Feminist Activism* and have been traveling around the country sharing their thoughts on this "new feminism". I caught up with them at a women's conference at The College of Saint Rose in Albany, New York.

She's been touted as a testament to the power of words to change lives. April is National Poetry month... so we thought we'd share some of the life and work of the most successful slam poet in history... who almost didn't become a poet at all.

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Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Recently the Supreme Court of the United States upheld a ban on a procedure known as partial birth abortion. The ban outlaws late term abortions... which are very uncommon... so, what meaning, if any, does it hold for most American women? Rebecca Traister has been looking at this issue. Rebecca writes about gender issues for salon.com and is a contributor to Broadsheet, Salon's blog about women. She says the ban seems to have more to do with the past and the future of reproductive rights than it does the present.

Are reproductive rights your cause? Or is it poverty? Hunger? Literacy? What is it that makes you want to stand up and fight? And what takes a person from knowing something ought to be done... to actually... your know... doing something. Essayist Robyn Ringler's been thinking about that and she share her thoughts with us today.

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It's one thing to read books and see photographs of women from other parts of the world – and another to actually live among them. Human rights worker Paula lived for several weeks on Israel's West Bank as a volunteer for the International Women's Peace Service. She expected the women to be extremely repressed – but she found that wasn't the case. Paula requested that we only use her first name, since she worries about being barred from entering Israel after living in Palestine.

It doesn't take an international trip to experience another culture – especially here in the U.S., where other cultures come to us. Take the human trafficking phenomenon. Women – often from Latin American countries – think they are off to a modeling agency or stage career in New York City, but end up as slaves in a sex trade ring. Women's rights activist Gloria Steinam has taken up the cause to end human trafficking. She recently fought for an anti-human trafficking law in New York State, which passed. But Steinam says that won't end the problem – and that, like so many other things, there are some surprises embedded in the issue. She spoke with public radio producer Dave Lucas in Albany about women plucked for human trafficking from inside the U.S.

For some, arranged marriages might seem like another form of servitude. But it's still the accepted practice among many cultures living in the United States. In fact, it's the basis of a unique friendship between an orthodox Jew and Muslim woman who taught together in Brooklyn. Today we'll meet Nasira, an Orthodox Jew who decided to buck tradition and make a movie about it instead. The result is the independent film *Arranged*, which had its world premier at the South by Southwest Film Festival in Austin.

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Are reproductive rights your cause? Or is it poverty? Hunger? Literacy? What is it that makes you want to stand up and fight? And what takes a person from knowing something ought to be done... to actually... your know... doing something. Essayist Robyn Ringler's been thinking about that and she share her thoughts with us today.

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Description: First on the show, we'll talk to an expert about navigating that sometimes-treacherous father-daughter relationship. Dr. Margaret Meeker recently put out a book called *Strong Fathers, Strong Daughters*, that is just coming out in paperback. She's a general practitioner, but Meeker has developed a niche treating and counseling teenaged girls. During her 20 years of practice, she found a common thread among many of her meetings with young women.

In the next half of the show, we'll hear from women about their dads. Three different essayists will tell their stories.

As we learned in the first half of the show, Father-Daughter relationships are often rocky. But some find ways to repair them. Today, 51% essayist Valerie de la Cruz remembers her dad's aloofness during her childhood – and how she found a way to connect with him.

When Katherine Stephens grew up in the DC area, she was a bit of a tomboy. So she looked to her dad for guidance in life. Surprisingly enough, she found that he taught her a lot about being a woman.

It's a fact of life: you can't choose your parents. That fact becomes painfully clear for many when they hit their teens – and those endearing parental quirks become just downright embarrassing. Writer Sari Grandstaff tells us how she got over her embarrassment in this essay about her father

Program: 51%
Date: June 24, 2007
Time: 7:30A-8:00A

Description: Weddings are a time for celebration. We get the chance to declare our unending love for another person, and have a really big party with our favorite people. But there's a lot more to it than that. That's what Kamy Wicoff found as she entered the wedding process in her mid-twenties. Kamy fancied herself an independent woman. She had a good job, went back to Columbia University to get a master's degree, and dated a man long-distance. But when it came to getting married, Wicoff found herself slipping into traditional roles. She wanted her boyfriend to propose to her – at first. She accepted the diamond rock he bought her – at first. And when it came to planning the wedding, she took on most of the grunt-work. Years after her marriage, Wicoff went back to explore why she made certain choices – and changed her mind on others in the marriage process. She compiled her thoughts with the ones she found in interviews with other brides in a book called *I do, But I Don't*. I spoke with Wicoff about why she thinks weddings say so much about gender politics in today's society.

There are thousands of decisions that go into weddings. Big or small? Local or destination? Church or garden?

Well, they're all tough calls. But when Tai and Megan Suterman decided to tie the knot, they didn't have to think too hard about one decision. Neither drink alcohol, so it seemed natural to ditch the champagne toast and open bar. As New Hampshire Public Radio's Dan Gorenstein discovered, their decision sparked some controversy.

We all hear about scary statistics about weddings. According to CondeNast, the average U.S. wedding costs about \$26,000. Of course, CondeNast is the company that publishes *Bride* magazine, so they have a stake in couples expecting high budgets for their ceremonies. But still, there's a lot of money to be spent on the big day. There are a lot of techniques to rein in that budget. 51%'s Mary Darcy spoke with Mass Mutual's Susan Sweetster about just a few.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENTS

KCTC, KDND, KRXQ, KSEG, KSSJ and KWOD rotate Public Service Announcements at a rate of at least one per air shift. Each PSA is in rotation for approximately two weeks. Among the groups whose announcements aired last quarter are as follows:

	<u>KCTC</u>	<u>KDND</u>	<u>KRXQ</u>	<u>KSEG</u>	<u>KSSJ</u>	<u>KWOD</u>
Placer Nature Center	2	3	2	4	2	3
Placer SPCA	3	2	3	2	3	2
Woodbridge Elementary School	4	3	2	2	2	2
Karfluki Fest 2007	2	2	2	3	3	3
UC Davis Bike Auction	3	2	2	3	3	4
All Youth Gospel Extravaganza	3	3	4	4	2	3
BloodSource Marrow Donor Program	4	4	4	2	4	3
Hospice Service of Tracy	2	2	3	3	2	2
Music in the Mountains	2	2	2	3	3	3
Sacramento Blues Society	4	4	4	3	2	2
Fit for Life Walk & Health Fair	3	4	3	3	4	2
Yolo County SPCA	3	3	2	4	3	2
Orangevale Pow Wow Days Fest	2	3	4	2	2	2
Never a Victim	3	2	3	3	3	3
Happy Tails Sanctuary	2	2	2	2	2	3
HIV/AIDS Awareness Event	3	4	4	2	4	2
National Library Week	3	3	3	3	3	3
Teen Driver Safety Day	2	2	2	3	2	2
Sacramento's Earth Day	4	4	3	2	4	4
Sacramento Hires Career Fair	3	3	3	2	3	2
Sacramento SPCA	2	4	4	4	2	3
Blood Save	2	3	3	3	2	3
Pacific Intercultural Exchange	3	2	2	2	3	3
St. Vincent de Paul	4	2	2	4	2	3
American Red Cross of Yolo County	4	2	3	2	3	2
Kiwanis Club of Carmichael	3	4	3	3	2	3
Kiwanis Club of Colfax	2	3	3	3	4	3
Boating Safety Course of America	2	2	3	3	2	2
Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure	3	3	2	2	2	3
Sacramento Zoo	2	2	3	3	4	2
Sexual Assault / Dom. Violence Ctr	4	3	3	2	2	3
Soroptomist International	2	2	3	4	3	3
Sac-Yolo Mosquito & Vector Control	2	3	2	3	2	3
Maidu Interpretive Center	3	2	3	2	3	3
Food Bank of El Dorado County	2	2	2	2	4	4
Free E-Waste Recycling	3	3	2	3	3	2
Folsom Lake College Foundation	4	4	2	3	3	3
Vacaville High School	3	3	3	2	2	3
Operation Kids Safe Event	3	3	4	4	4	3
Play Golf America Day	3	3	3	2	2	4
WIND Youth Center	2	2	3	3	3	3
Healthy Kids Day	2	2	2	2	3	2
Inclusionary Housing Program	3	3	3	3	2	4
Homeward Bound Rescue	4	2	4	2	3	3
In Alliance	3	4	2	4	4	3
Steroid Free Fitness Extravaganza	2	3	2	3	2	4
UC Davis Junior Olympics	3	3	2	3	3	2
California Celebration	2	2	3	2	2	3
Croatian Extravaganza	2	3	4	3	3	4
Placer County Job Fair	3	4	3	4	4	3

Sacramento Fine Arts Center	4	2	3	4	2	3
American Cancer Society	3	4	2	3	4	2
Kiwanis Family House	4	4	3	2	3	2
Lynne Cohen Foundation	2	2	2	3	4	4
Women's Fitness Festival	2	3	2	3	2	3
Down Syndrome Info Alliance	3	2	3	2	3	2
Safetyville USA	3	4	3	4	3	4
Placer Nature Center	4	3	4	3	4	3
Boys & Girls Club El Dorado County	2	3	4	2	3	4
Child Protection Education of Amer.	4	3	2	4	3	2
Save the Manatee	2	3	3	3	2	2
Lodi Salvation Army	3	2	2	2	3	3
Sacramento Food Bank	4	3	4	3	4	3
Science & Space Center	3	4	3	4	3	4
Gold Rush History Center	2	3	3	2	3	3
Creek Week	3	2	2	4	2	3

SACRAMENTO VALLEY BROADCASTERS ASSOCIATION / ASCERTAINMENT

SVBA conducts Ascertainment interviews because the member stations believe it is an excellent way to stay in touch with community leaders and to stay informed about issues that should be reported on in news and public affairs programs. During an ascertainment interview, station representatives take notes on speakers' comments, which are then used to generate ideas for news and public affairs programs. Guests this quarter included speakers from the Sacramento Alzheimer's Association, California Skin Cancer Prevention Program, Director of Internal Affairs & Medicare Services, Healthcare Reform, the Croatian Cultural Center, Toxic Mold Litigation Services, Rest & Respite Program for Seniors, Sacramento Metropolitan Fire District, the Western Plant Health Association, Department of Neighborhood Services, Child Abuse Prevention Council, Regional Water Efficiency Program, Sacramento Association of Realtors, and the Sacramento Yolo Mosquito and Vector Control District.

NEWS REPORTS

Entercom stations air newscasts twice an hour during Morning Drive, beginning at 5:50am and running until 8:50am, for a total of approximately 375 newscasts per quarter. The reports include national and local news. The content of the news stories range from major national headline issues to those that directly and specifically affect the greater Sacramento area including the following: Education, Economy, Government, Health, Environmental/Energy/Transportation, Crime, Drug Abuse, Minorities/Women/Aging, and Youth/Family. On an average each newscast is made up of six stories for a total of over 2,300 topics per quarter.